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(02.03-11)

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1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER DATED AUGUST 25
TO KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET.

2. "AUGUST 25, 1977 02.03-11

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DEAR YURIY:

I AM WRITING ABOUT THE RECENT VISIT (JUNE 11-JULY 24)
TO THE SOVIET UNION BY DRS. LLOYD ANDRES AND ROBERT HAWKES
IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT ON INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT
(02.03-11). THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THEIR VISIT WAS TO COL-

LECT THE WEED HALOGETON GLOMERATUS. THE AREAS IN WHICH THE US SCIENTISTS HAD PLANNED TO SEARCH FOR THIS WEED WERE THE NUKUS AREA, SOUTH OF THE ARAL SEA, AND THE SUGATINSKIY VALLEY, EAST OF ALMA-ATA. PRIOR TO THEIR VISIT, THE US SIDE WAS INFORMED THAT ANDRES AND HAWKES SHOULD NOT PLAN TO VISIT THE NUKUS AREA, BUT NO MENTION WAS MADE OF ANY DIFFICULTIES REGARDING THE SUGATINSKIY VALLEY. IT WAS ONLY UPON THEIR ARRIVAL IN THE USSR ON JUNE 11 THAT THE US SCIENTISTS LEARNED THAT THEY WOULD BE UNABLE TO VISIT THE SUGATINSKIY VALLEY.

SINCE THE SOVIET SIDE DID NOT PROVIDE ACCESS TO EITHER THE NUKUS OR THE SUGATINSKIY AREAS, DRS. ANDRES AND HAWKES WERE UNABLE TO COLLECT HALOGETON GLOMERATUS SAMPLES. THE US SCIENTISTS RETURNED FROM THE USSR DISAPPOINTED WITH THEIR VISIT AND FEELING THEY HAD WASTED MUCH OF THEIR TIME.

I AM SURE YOU WILL RECALL THAT DURING THEIR MEETING IN LENINGRAD ON JULY 15, MR. COSTLE EMPHASIZED TO DR. IZRAEL THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE US SIDE ATTACHES TO THE QUESTION OF ACCESS TO GEOGRAPHIC AREAS AND FACILITIES IN THE USSR IF THE JOINT PROJECTS UNDER THE AGREEMENT ARE TO PRODUCE BENEFICIAL RESULTS FOR BOTH OUR COUNTRIES. IT APPEARS TO US THAT THE EXPERIENCE OF DRS. ANDRES AND HAWKES ILLUSTRATES THE PROBLEM WHICH MR. COSTLE HAD IN MIND. I TRUST THAT YOU WILL BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

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THE DISAPPOINTMENT OF THE US SIDE WITH REGARD TO THE VISIT OF ANDRES AND HAWKES AND NOTE THAT--IN THE US VIEW--SUCH EXPERIENCES DO NOT ENCOURAGE THE TYPE OF FRUITFUL COOPERATION WHICH BOTH SIDES WISH.

WITH BEST REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

PIERRE SHOSTAL" CHRISTOPHER

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